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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Issued: 0800 CT

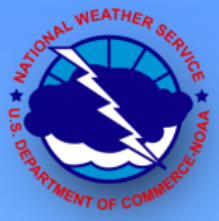
Day 1 Hazards: Snow across N TX/LA/srn AR today may cause travel impacts into Wednesday afternoon.

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Key Points



Wednesday

- Snow ending mid-day across TX, and late this afternoon across LA/AR.

Thursday - Friday

- Another strong cold front moves into the southern Plains by Thursday with snow possible from NM into the TX/OK Panhandles.
- Snow possible across TX/OK panhandles into N TX/S OK by Friday.

Saturday - Sunday

- Another system to bring the possibility of snow to parts of northern NM, the TX panhandle, and OK.

*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Feb 25, 2015 - Mar 1, 2015

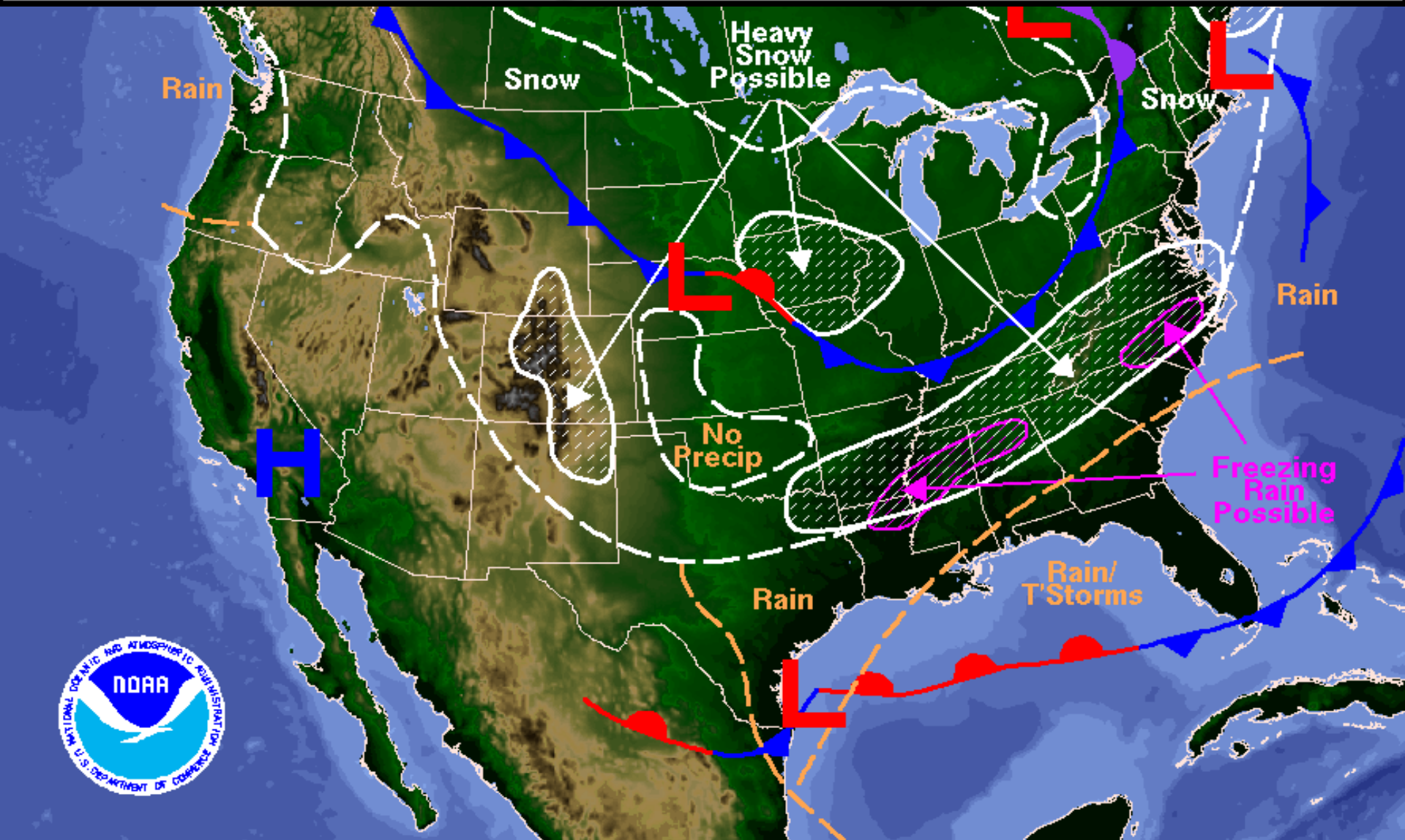
DAY/ THREAT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Severe Storms					
Heavy Rain /Flooding					Eastern OK/AR
Fire					
Cold					
Winter	Morning Travel impacts possible- N TX/LA/AR	NM, TX/OK Panhandles	NM, TX, OK, LA, AR	NM, TX/OK Panhandles	NM, TX/OK Panhandles

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat
	No Widespread Threat

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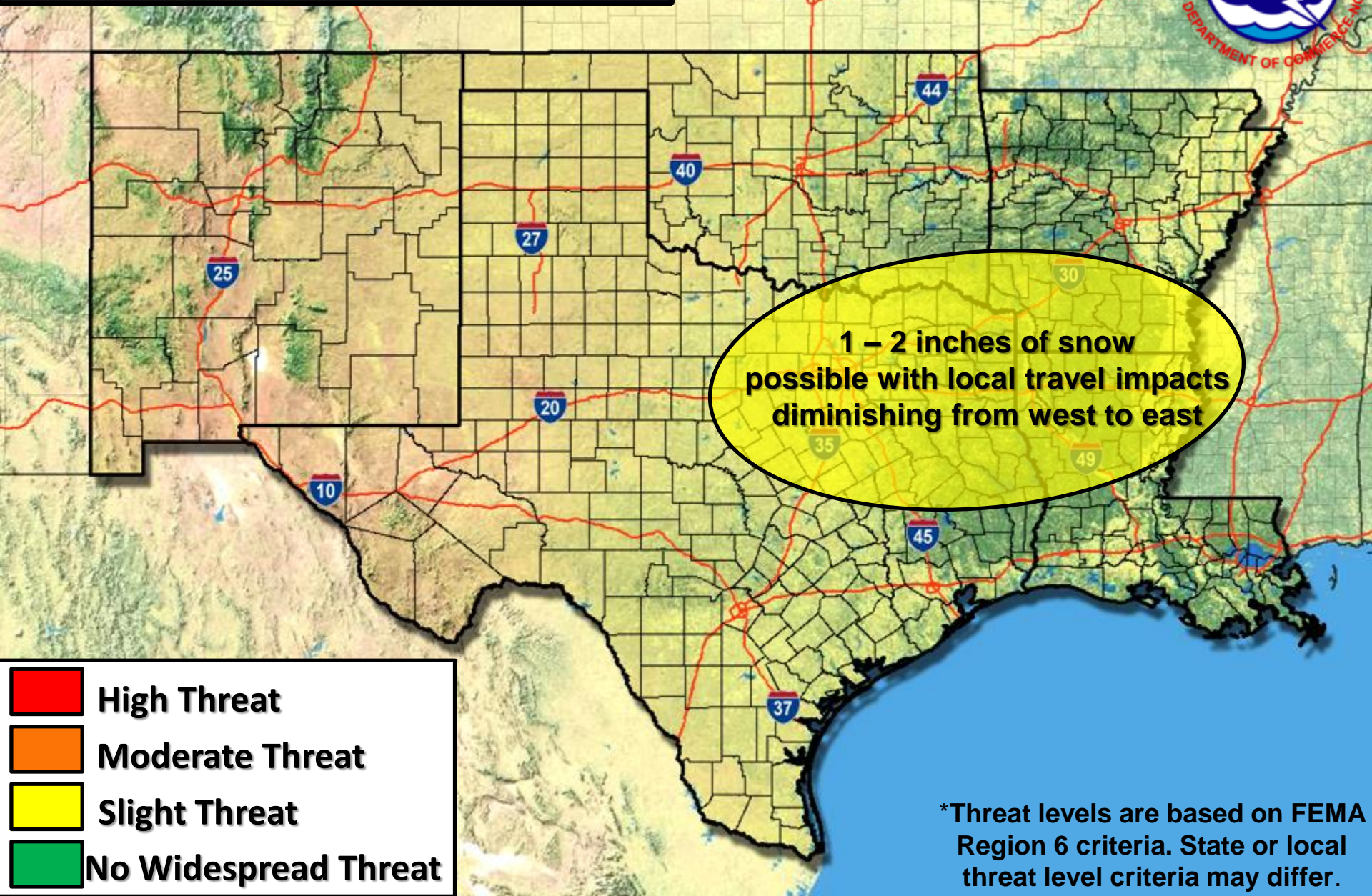
Today's Weather



Weather Forecast for Wed, Feb 25, 2015, issued 3:54 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

Day 1 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Wed - 0800 Thu



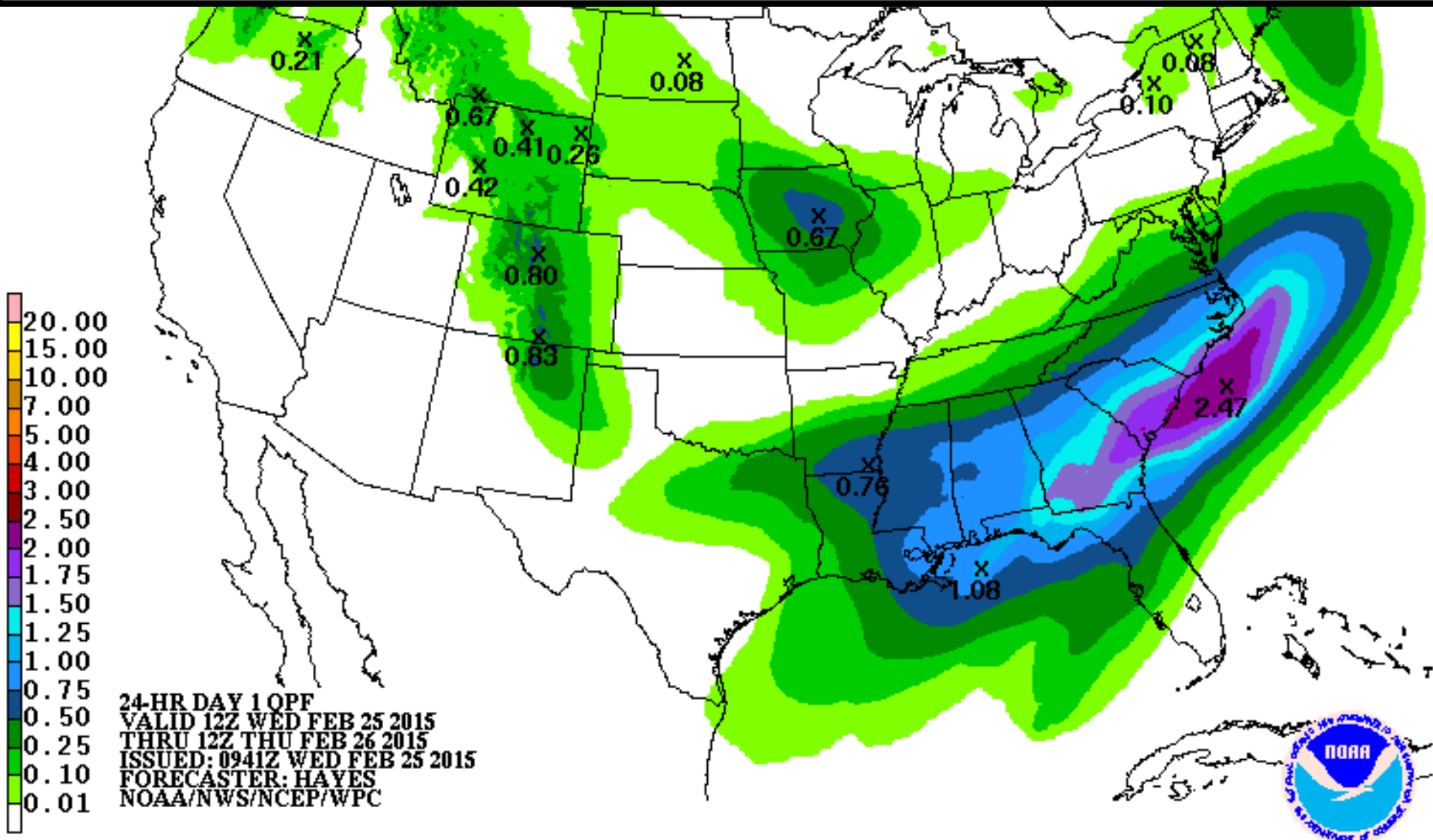
**1 - 2 inches of snow
possible with local travel impacts
diminishing from west to east**



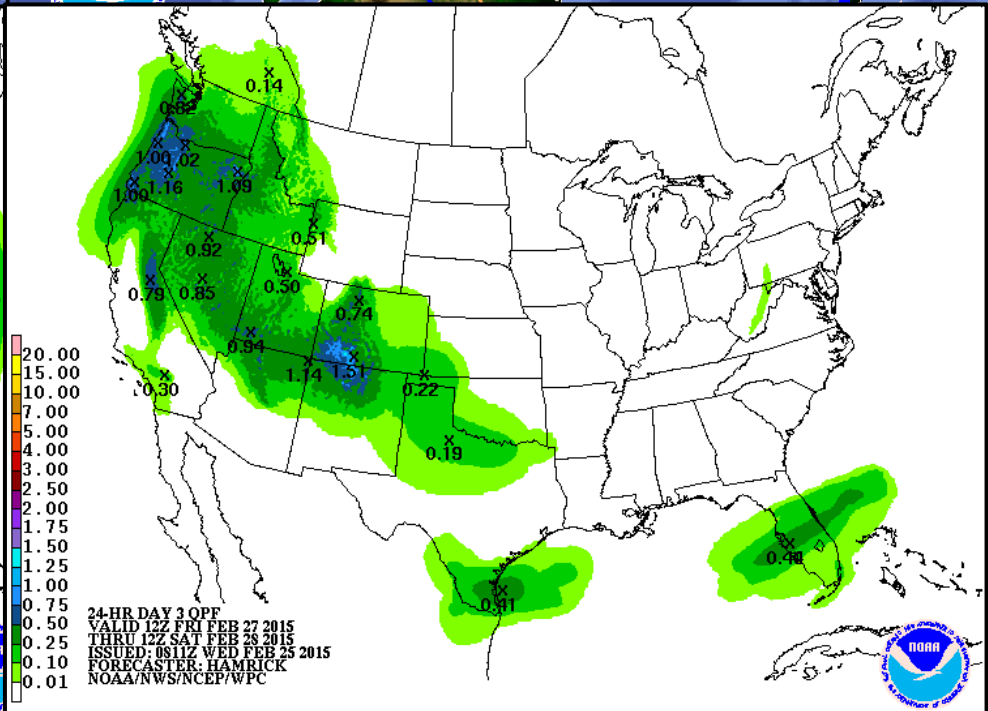
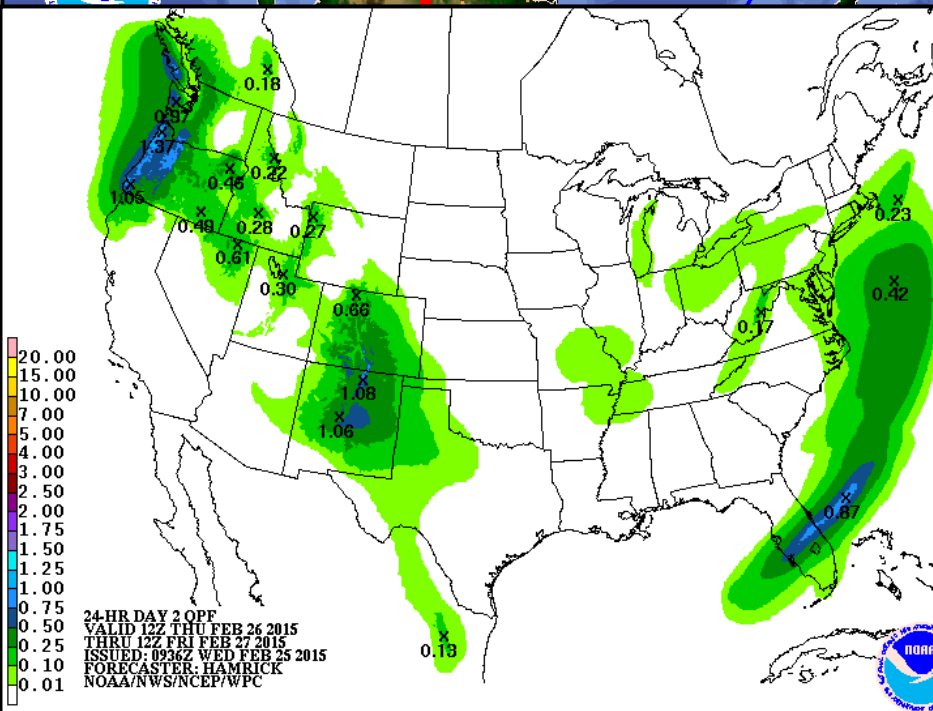
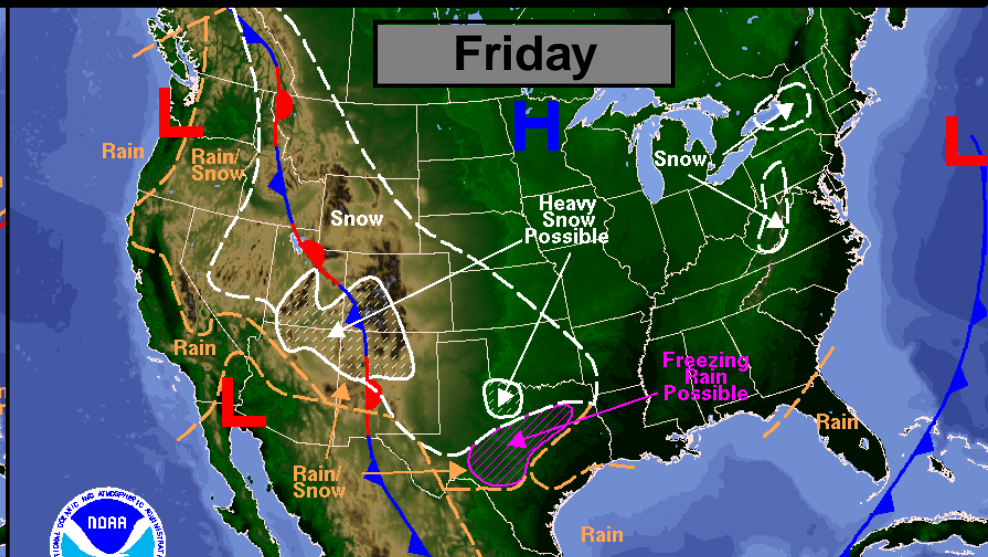
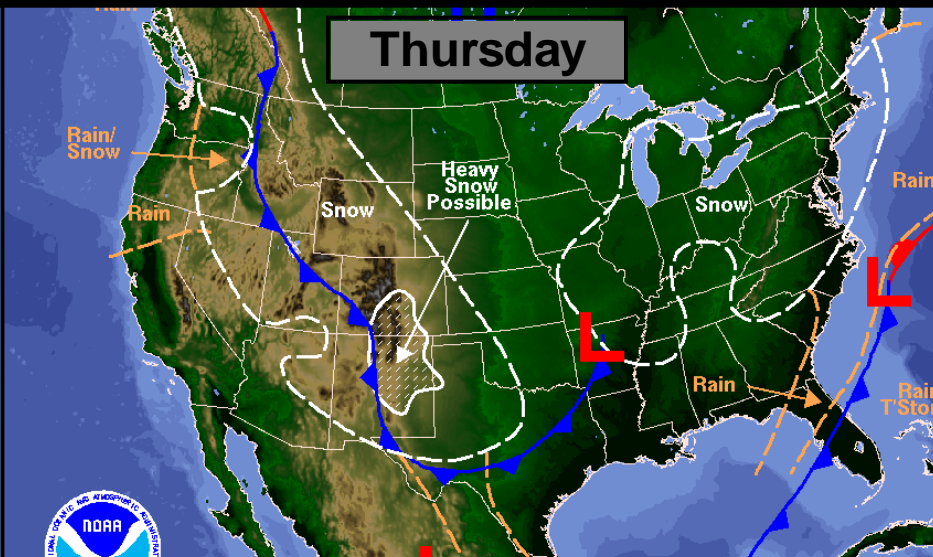
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Today's Precipitation

Wed AM - Thu AM



Day 2-3 Weather Maps/Precipitation



Day 2-3 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Thu - 0800 Sat



Snow developing Thursday

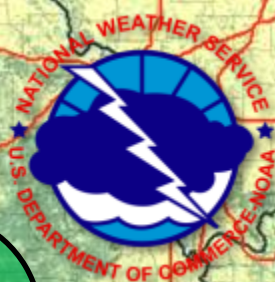
Area of potential snow
expands Friday



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Day 4-5 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Sat - 0800 Mon



**Snow possible again
through the weekend**

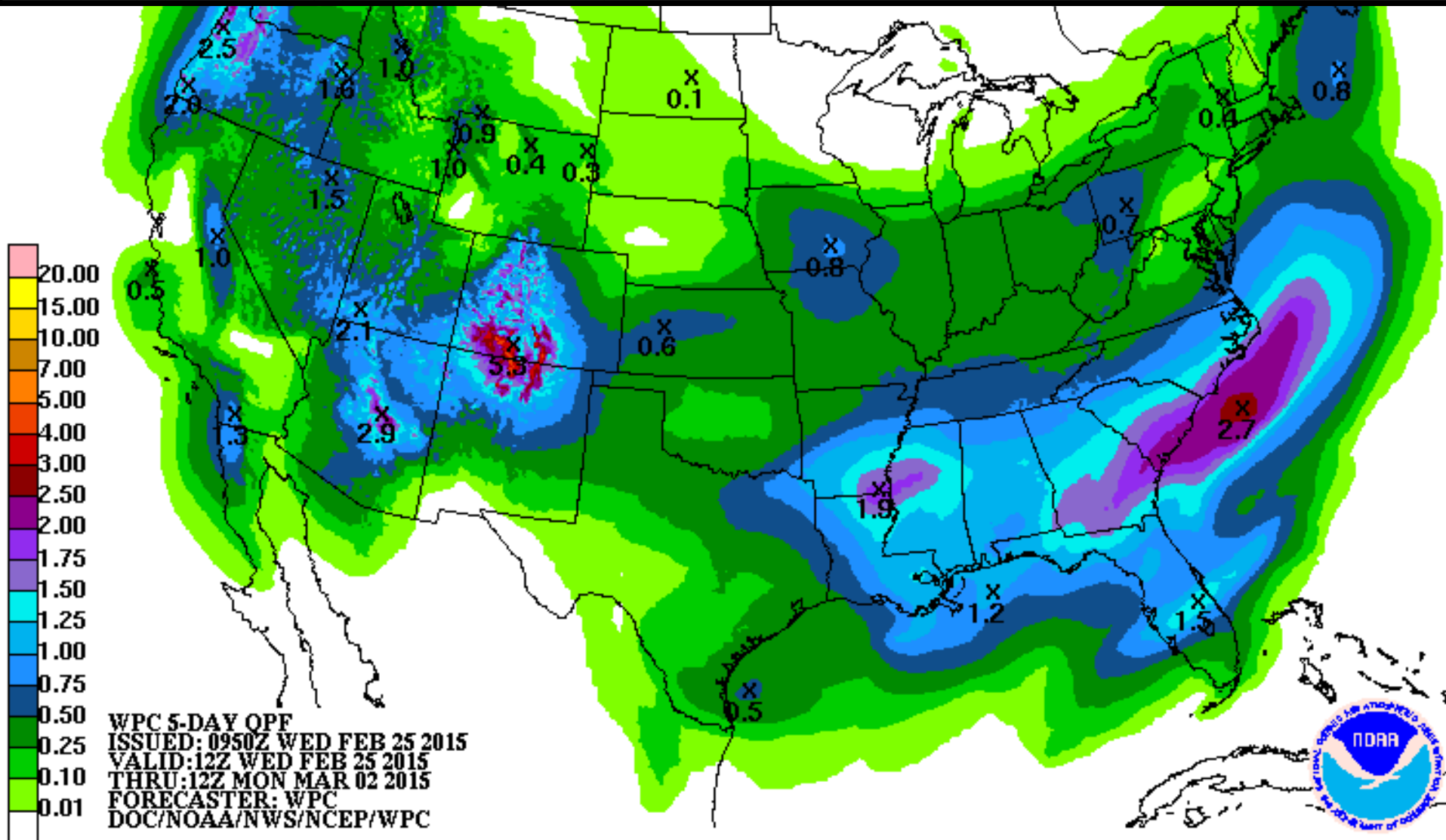
**Potential for
heavy rainfall
Sunday/Monday**



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5-Day Precipitation

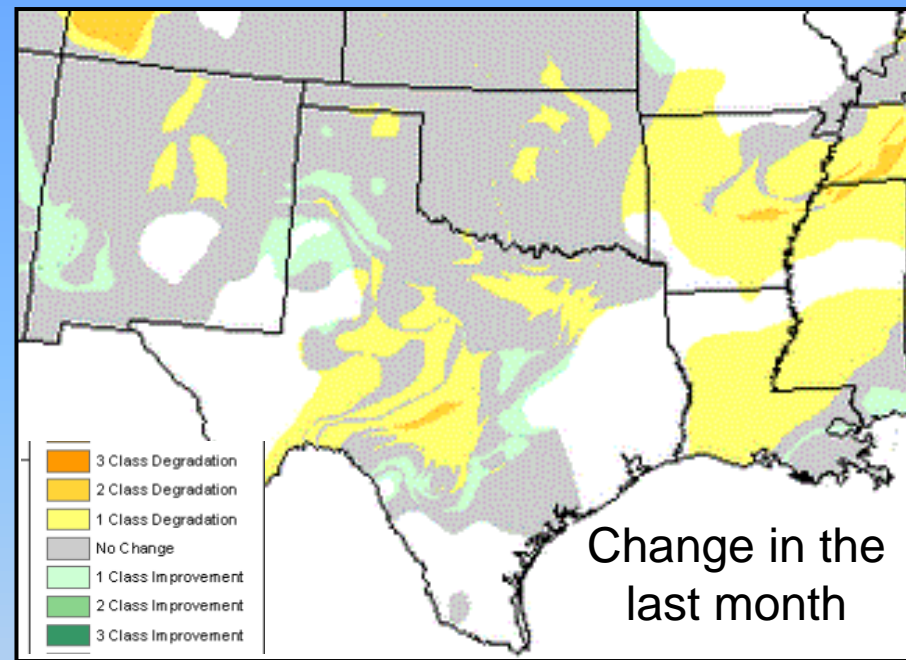
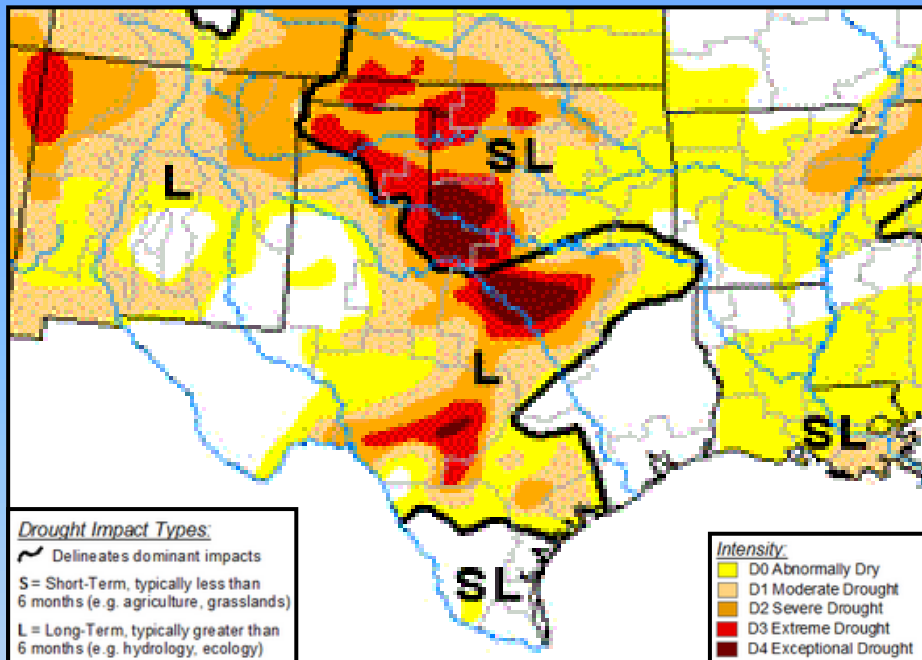
Wed AM - Mon AM





Drought Monitor Released February 19, 2015

Drought data valid through 7am ET on Tuesday, February 17, 2015



Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)

State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago
Oklahoma	22.81%	22.81%	21.57%	12.53%
Texas	13.92%	13.21%	9.82%	8.54%
New Mexico	3.70%	3.70%	1.53%	14.83%
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

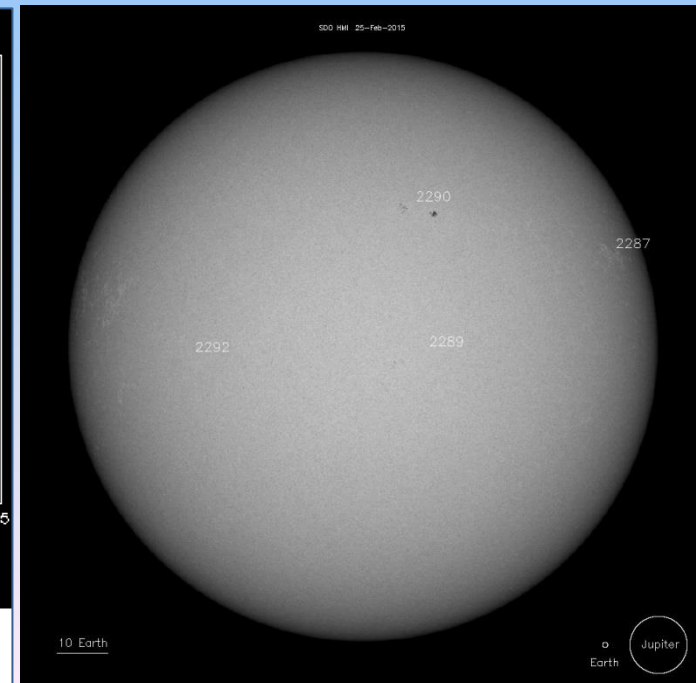
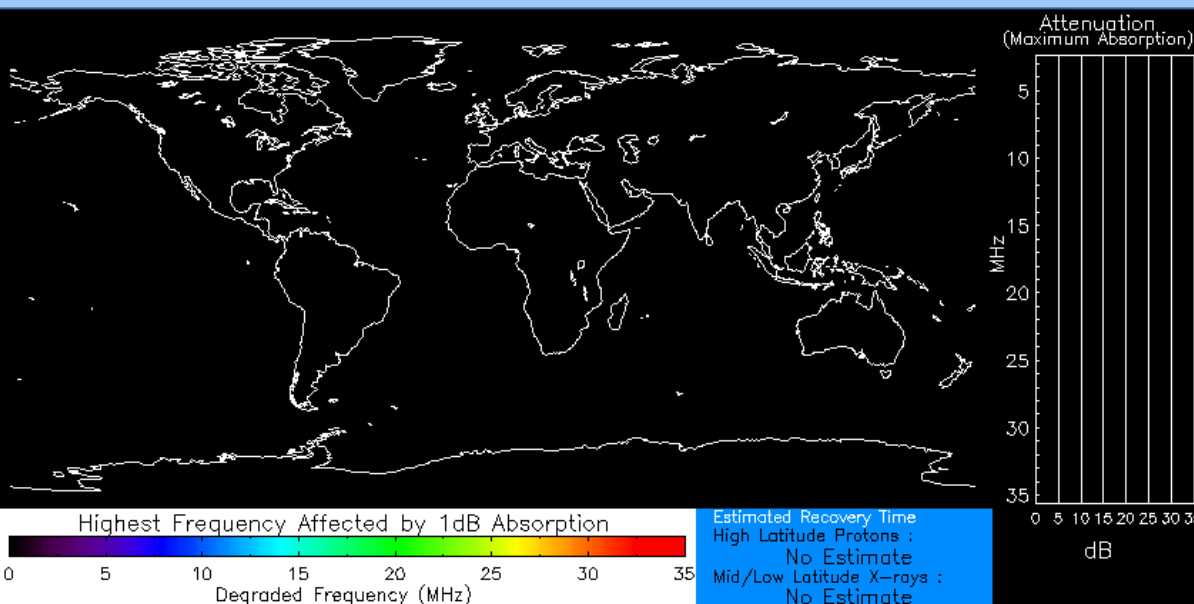
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Geomagnetic Storms	Active to Unsettled (Max Kp = 4)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)	Unsettled (Max Kp = 3)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

[Click here for a Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales](#)

[Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text](#)



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